

Thomas Williams – Eastham Land Records 1650-1745

Thomas Williams was in Plymouth by 1635. He married Elizabeth Tart in Plymouth in 1638. He was in Eastham by 1649 when he was appointed Surveyor of Highways. He died in Eastham in 1692. No children appear in the Eastham birth records. The only other Williams to appear in the Eastham land records was Goodman Williams who had very limited land holdings.

1659

Granted to Thomas Williams for a house lot about four acres. The land was near the Cove with John Jenkins on one side and Giles Hopkins on the other side. Bounds were indicated by stones and a fence. PDF A152, M215, S22.

Granted to Thomas Williams about fifteen acres at Pochet next to Barley Neck next to Giles Hopkins. Bounds were indicated by marked trees. PDF A152, M215, S22.

Granted to Thomas Williams about two acres at Little Namskaket next to Giles Hopkins and next to a creek. Bounds were indicated by marked trees. PDF A152, M215, S22.

Granted to Thomas Williams about three-quarters of an acre at Billingsgate meadow and next to land of John Mayo. Bounds were indicated by stakes. PDF A152, M215, S22.

Granted to Thomas Williams about one and one-half acres at Boat Meadow next to the Common Meadow and next to land of Thomas Paine. PDF A152, M215, S22.

1661

Granted to Thomas Williams a small parcel of meadow on the eastern side of Rock Harbor between land of Samuel Hix and Joseph Rogers. PDF A152, M215.

1694

There was a boundary dispute between Thomas Williams and Titus Wixam concerning meadow previously granted to Robert Wixam. The meadow was near Salt Hole and the river. New bounds were established and were indicated by stakes and stones marked TW. PDF M216, S59.

1710

This record of a land grant to John Smith refers to land formerly owned by Thomas Williams lying between the highway and the Town Cove. PDF M71.

The Eastham land owned by Thomas Williams described in these records amounts to about twenty-five acres. The only record of another Williams owning Eastham land was a 1694 reference to Goodman Williams owning land at Boat Meadow. PDF A151, M214, S60.